

CHARTER
U.S. AIR FORCE SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD

1. Committee's Official Designation: The Committee shall be known as the U.S. Air Force Scientific Advisory Board (hereafter referred to as "the Board").
2. Authority: The Secretary of Defense, under the provision of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix) and 41 CFR § 102-3.50(d), established the Board.
3. Objectives and Scope of Activities: The Board shall provide independent advice and recommendations on matters of science and technology relating to the Air Force mission, as set out in (4) below.
4. Description of Duties: The Board shall:
 - a. Provide independent technical advice to the U.S. Air Force leadership.
 - b. Study topics deemed critical by the Secretary of the Air Force and the Chief of Staff of the Air Force.
 - c. Recommend application of technology to improve U.S. Air Force capabilities
 - d. Provide an independent review of the quality and relevance of the U.S. Air Force science and technology program.

The Secretary of the Air Force may act upon the Board's advice and recommendations.
5. Agency or Official to Whom the Committee Reports: The Board shall report to the Secretary of Defense, through the Secretary of Air Force.
6. Support: The Department of Defense, through the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, shall provide support as deemed necessary for the Board's performance, and shall ensure compliance with the requirement of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 and the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. § 552b).
7. Estimated Annual Operating Costs and Staff Years: It is estimated that the annual operating costs, to include travel costs and meeting and contract support, is approximately \$2,950,000.00. The estimated annual DoD personnel costs are 13.0 full-time equivalents (FTE).
8. Designated Federal Officer: The Designated Federal Officer, pursuant to DoD policy, shall be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee, and shall be appointed in accordance with established DoD policies and procedures.

In addition, the Designated Federal Officer is required to be in attendance at all committee and subcommittee meetings; however, in the absence of the Designated Federal Officer, the Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend the meeting.

9. Estimated Number and Frequency of Meetings: The Board shall meet at the call of the Board's Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the Chairperson and the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force. The estimated number of Board meetings is four per year.
10. Duration: The need for this advisory function is on a continuing basis; however this charter is subject to renewal every two years.
11. Termination: The Board shall terminate upon completion of its mission or two years from the date this charter is filed, whichever is sooner, unless the Secretary of Defense extends it.
12. Membership and Designation: The Board shall be comprised of no more than 60 members who are distinguished members of the science and technology communities, industry, and academia.

The Board members shall be appointed by the Secretary of Defense, and their appointments will be renewed on an annual basis. Those members, who are not full-time or permanent part-time federal officers or employees, shall be appointed as experts and consultants under the authority of 5 U.S.C. § 3109, and serve as special government employees.

The Secretary of the Air Force shall select the Board's Chairperson. In addition, the Secretary of the Air Force may appoint, as deemed necessary non-voting consultants to provide technical expertise to the Board. These consultants, if not full-time or part time government employees, shall be appointed under the authority of 5 U.S.C. § 3109, shall serve as special government employees, shall be appointed on an intermittent basis to work specific Board-related efforts, and shall have no voting rights.

Board members and consultants, with the exception of travel and per diem for official travel, shall serve without compensation. However, the Secretary of the Air Force, at his or her discretion, may authorize compensation to Board members and consultants in accordance with governing statutes, Executive Orders and regulations.

13. Subcommittees: With DoD approval, the Board is authorized to establish subcommittees, as necessary and consistent with its mission. These subcommittees or working groups shall operate under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. § 552b), and other governing Federal statutes and regulations.

Such subcommittees or workgroups shall not work independently of the chartered Board, and shall report all their recommendations and advice to the Board for full

deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees or workgroups have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the chartered Board; nor can they report directly to the Department of Defense or any Federal officers or employees who are not Board members.

Subcommittee members, who are not Board members, shall be appointed in the same manner as Board members.

14. Recordkeeping: The records of the Board and its subcommittees shall be handled according to section 2, General Record Schedule 26 and governing Department of Defense policies and procedures. These records shall be available for public inspection and copying, subject to the Freedom of Information Act of 1966 (5 U.S.C. § 552).

15. Filing Date: April 28, 2010